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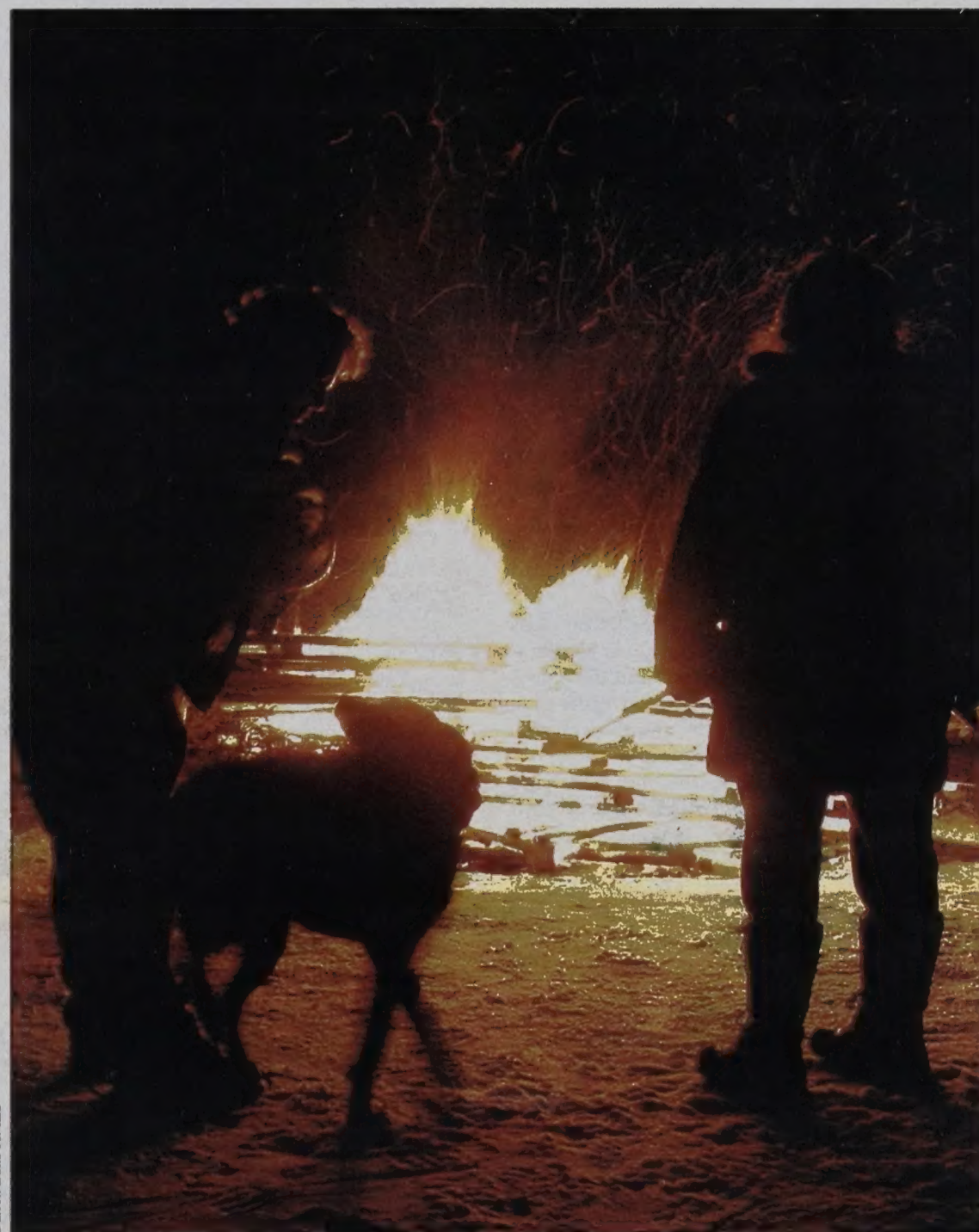
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Winter warmth: A family and their pet dog enjoy the warmth of the bonfire during Minden's annual winterfest at the Minden Fairgrounds on Saturday night. Hundreds came out to skate, toboggan and savour the chili and hotdogs.

Minden goalie meets Walter Gretzky as special perk of making all-star team

by **JERRY GROZELLE**
Times staff

Alex Monk-Cray, a member of the Central Ontario Wolves Major Novice hockey team, went to Cambridge for a Triple-A tournament recently expecting some tough competition. What he wasn't expecting was an honour that only a select few players received.

Alex was chosen to play in an all-star game made up of players selected from teams attending the



tournament. He was one of six goalies chosen from among a total of 56 to play on one of the two all-star teams.

"It was very tough and chal-
lenging," Alex said. "I have
never played in an all-star game
before. It was outstanding."

Even though he was
thrilled to be part of this spe-

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Minden Hills calls for spill reporting protocol

by **ALLISON TAYLOR**
Times staff

A letter from Minden Hills has spurred Algonquin Highlands to check its protocol in case of sewage spills in the area.

Late last month, Minden Hills sent the letter to all four municipa-
lities in the county, the district
health unit and the Ministry of
the Environment.

The letter was in response to
December's sewage spill into
Lake Kashagawigamog. Minden
Hills council wanted to make
sure each of the aforementioned
parties had either a clause in its
protocol or a plan of action to
contact each other when such
spills occur.

Algonquin Highlands wasn't
sure how to reply, or even if it
should.

"We don't know if we are bing
requested to respond," Reeve
Eleanor Harrison said at last
Thursday's Algonquin Highlands
council meeting. "The letter is
quite ambiguous."

The reeve and other members
of council weren't certain if their
township had protocol in place
for such an accident.

The only protocol in place is
environmental, said Gerald Bain,
clerk-administrator.

"We report to the MOE, that's
our protocol," said Councillor
Tom Gardner.

Harrison requested that Bain
look at what protocol other

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Gretzky senior tells kids to thank their parents and coaches

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cial game, Alex took his responsibilities in stride. "I just played my game," he said. "I've been pretty happy since I played in the all-star game. I feel proud of myself and my parents and my family are also proud of me. I'm very happy to be a Wolf and especially to be myself. I'm glad I have friends who are nice and who believe in me."

Alex sends his thanks to friends J.J. Kerr, Brett Hicks and Ashton Haley "for believing in me that I can achieve my hockey goals."

His younger brother Mac is also a big supporter. He is considered the team mascot and offers coaching advice to help Alex hone his skills.

"I'd like to thank my brother for being a good mascot and coach," Alex said.

An added bonus to the thrill of being chosen to play in the all-star game, was the opportunity for Alex and his family to meet Walter Gretzky, father of recently retired NHL super star Wayne Gretzky.

Alex's dad Barry explained that Walter Gretzky told the youngsters that his son Wayne had sat on the same benches as they did and that they should go home and thank their parents for giving them the chance to play hockey and getting the equipment. He also told them that they should thank their coaches for helping them learn the game.

During the all-star game, Alex's team was ahead 5-3. At that point, Water

Gretzky went on the bench of the opposing team to offer support and encouragement. His words of wisdom had a positive effect and by the late stages of the third period, the opposing team had overcome the deficit and taken a 7-6 lead.

Alex's team came within a whisker of tying the game with 30 seconds remaining, but the opposition held on for the win.

"It would have been nice if it had ended in a tie," Barry said, "but it didn't work out that way."

The entire Monk-Cray family agreed that Walter Gretzky inspired the other team to find the energy and desire to pull off the come-from-behind-win.

"Everything he did was positive reinforcement," Alex's mom Kirsten Monk-Cray said.

"They didn't treat everybody as though it was win-lose," Barry Cray said. "Everybody was a winner."

Another player from Alex's team, Jake Taylor of Port Perry, was also chosen to play in the all-star game. But the tournament organizers arranged the teams so no two players from the same team were mates on the all-star roster.

"It was interesting that they were playing against each other," Barry said. "Because they were looking to comfort each other. They didn't know what to think when they were told they would be playing against each other."

He added that Jake wanted to score a goal, but he wasn't sure he wanted to



Alex Monk-Cray says his younger brother Mac makes a great mascot for his Central Ontario Wolves team. This photo was taken at the tournament in Cambridge.

score on his friend and teammate. As it turned out, Jake did score a goal, but it wasn't while Alex was on guard duty between the pipes, much to the relief of both players.

To select players for the all-star game, organizers of the tournament were designated to evaluate players at each game leading up to the finals. Players from 28 of the 32 teams in the Major Novice division were evaluated on their performance. Those who consistently impressed the "scouts" were invited to play in the all-

star showdown.

"The goal was to promote fun and fairness," Barry Cray said.

As a member of the Central Ontario Wolves, Alex and his parents and brother travel all over the central part of the province while the Wolves compete in tournaments. The Preston-Cambridge tournament was an impressive event for the whole family, especially the all-star game. "It was amazing," Kirsten said. "We were really thrilled. It was just like going to an NHL all-star game."

Algonquin Highlands will check procedures

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municipalities follow, or even if they have any.

"I'm sure the fire department has something in place," Gardner said.

Bain was certain that all emergency personnel follow MOE guidelines.

In any case, council needed to double-

check its procedures in case of such an incident. It also needs to touch base with emergency departments to find out what protocol they adhere to.

"We don't have the same situation as Minden Hills because we don't have sewers. We would likely handle it differently," Harrison said.

Snowmobiler died after being ejected: OPP

The Haliburton Highlands OPP have released more information about the snowmobiler who was killed when his sled hit a rock in the middle of Little Hawk Lake in the early hours of February 2.

Thirty-seven-year-old Donald Cameron of London was ejected from his 1999

Skidoo after it hit the rock.

A post mortem revealed he died as a result of internal injuries. Police believe speed may have been a factor.

As well, police say a quantity of marijuana and several empty beer cans were found in his possession.

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Northern Lights
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Calling all senior kindergarten students who want to parlez-vous francais

by ALLISON TAYLOR
Times staff

Senior kindergarten students from across the county could be rolling their R's when it's time to buy back-to-school supplies in September.

The Trillium Lakelands District School Board passed a resolution last month permitting the local French immersion classes at Stuart Baker Elementary School in Haliburton to enroll students at senior kindergarten level starting this fall.

"All the research shows that the sooner the kids start learning French, the more bilingual they will be," says Principal Debbie Wales.

French immersion classes, until now, have been open to students entering Grade 1 at Stuart Baker, while in one other jurisdiction within the school district, Lindsay, senior kindergarten students could enter the immersion stream.

"The board reviewed the program to standardize it across the entire district," Wales says.

Starting in the fall, senior kindergarten students and their parents will have the choice to be immersed in a foreign language or to remain in the English-speaking stream.

Having an extra year of exposure to the French language under their belts will make a huge difference to the students, says French immersion teacher Janice Benoit, who helped establish the program at Stuart Baker in 1999.

Not only will the children have an extra year to develop a solid foundation in French, but they will also have that extra time to learn the basics of a new language and start communicating orally, she said.

Take for example Benoit's Grade 1 class, learning the basic words, verbs and expressions. The first six months of the year, the emphasis on learning is comprehension as the students demonstrate understanding through drama and pictures, she said.

"They totally understand me," she said, just after answering a student's question in French. "It's amazing."

Just five months earlier, most of them didn't even know how to say hello in French.

One grade level higher there was a notable difference in language skills, where Grade 2 and 3 students in Dan Lee's French immersion class down the hall communicated with their peers more

openly and confidently.

The class sings in French, asks questions in French and the students even make oral presentations in the French language.

While the immersion program is located solely at Stuart Baker, students from Minden Hills are welcome with open arms.

Right now, there are five families in Minden with children in the French stream, but the school board is always looking for more, Wales said. "We're drumming up support."

Seven-year-old Taelor Campbell is starting to learn French this year in the immersion classes at Baker.

"She's flying," says her father Jerry Campbell. "She lost me in the first week."

Only having a limited background in French, Jerry said he and his wife Kim both felt it was important for Taelor to have a solid understanding of Canada's two national languages.

"We thought it would broaden her education and help her in the future."

The future is also what Michele Bromley had in mind when she enrolled her daughter Julia Fedski in the Grade 1 immersion program.

"It's about getting a solid foundation in



Allison Taylor/TIMES

Students in Janice Benoit's Grade 1 French immersion class got straight to work last week after listening to instructions in French. This September senior kindergarten students will have the opportunity to enroll for the first time.

French," Bromley said. "As a parent it is my responsibility to put my kids in a situation that will be helpful to them so for me it's more a question of why I wouldn't do it?"

Having the program start as early as junior kindergarten would suit Bromley just fine, so she could get her son Joel in the program right from the get go, she

said.

"The sooner, the better," Bromley said.

Minden kids such as Taelor and Julia take the bus with students going to Haliburton Highlands Secondary School.

"It doesn't make any difference for Julia to be in Haliburton," Bromley says.

Wales says the elementary kids occupy the first few seats of the bus, and the older students have been very encouraging.

"The bus picks Taelor up in front of the house," Jerry says. "The high school children respect their age and accept them on the bus."

Kim Campbell says students starting the immersion program in senior kindergarten will be reaping the rewards when they are older.

"The younger they are, the more receptive to new languages they are," Kim says.

The only catch is the school needs at least 25 students in order for the new senior kindergarten immersion to get off the ground.

"It is best to have a full class," Wales said. "The students have to start in September or they miss out."

There is currently a full class of 25 students in Grade 1 and another full class of Grade 2 and 3 split.

There is no extra charge for the immersion program and it is open to all students entering senior kindergarten in the fall.

For more information call Stuart Baker Elementary School at 457-1342.



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Grade 1 French Immersion teacher Janice Benoit says starting students a year earlier will help them develop a solid foundation.

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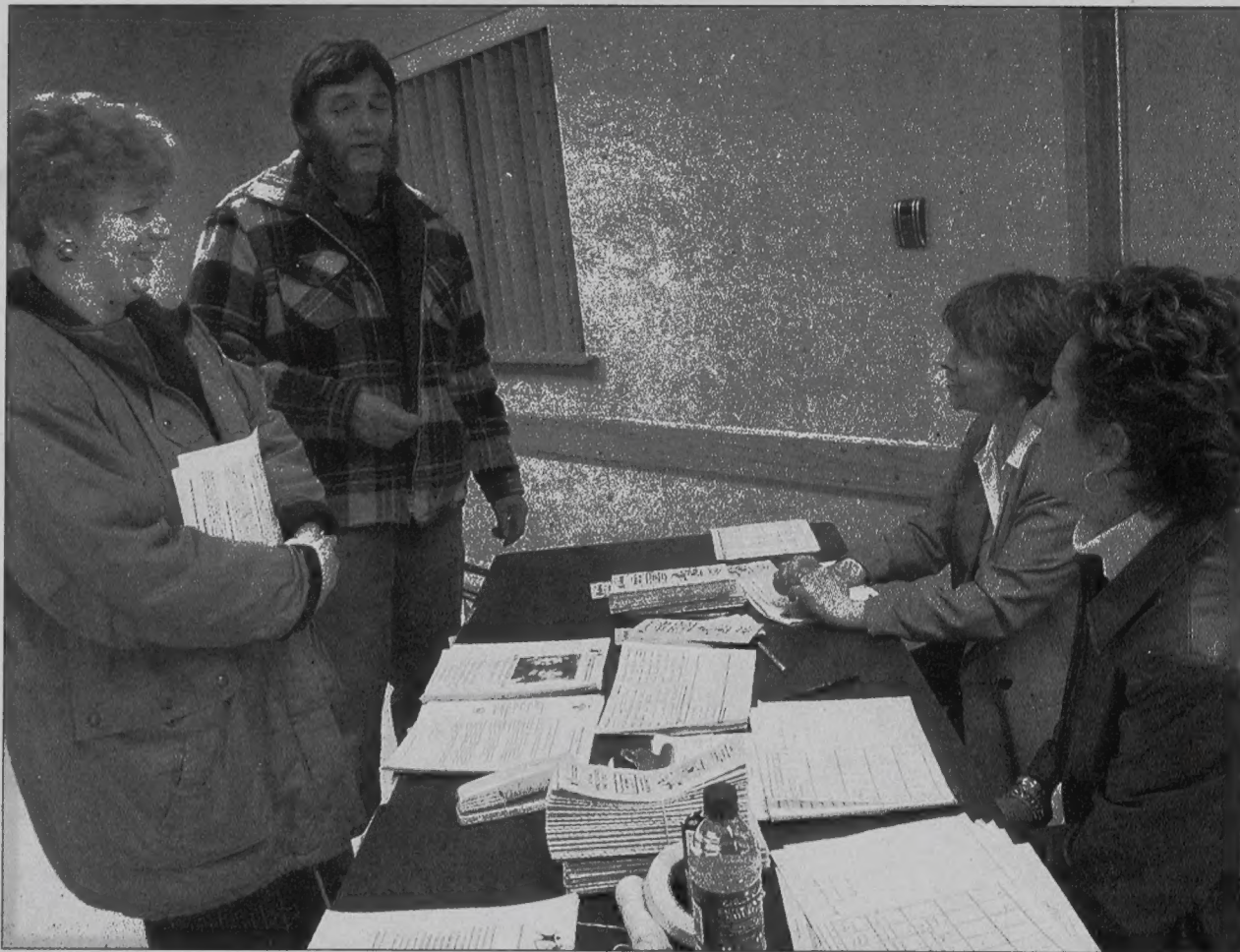
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The advice lawyer provides general information relating to family law matters and advice in specific cases to those who are financially eligible. This service is available solely on a first come, first serve basis without appointment.

The service is an extension of the program presently offered in Lindsay. Additional family services, including mediation, are available at the court house in Lindsay.

For advice and assistance in other areas of law, such as income assistance and landlord and tenant matters, please contact the Community Legal Clinic for Simcoe, Haliburton and Kawartha Lakes at 1-800-461-8953.

Daren Lum/TIMES



Clarification

It's the Minden Calorie Counters who showed their prowess at the annual Fur Harvesters' Workshop on January 20 at the Minden Community Centre. Incorrect information was given in last week's story about the workshop. The local chapter of the non-profit association, otherwise called the Minden Slender Seekers, has a steady following of 30 members. They meet every Wednesday night at the Bible Church. For more information call Brenda at 489-4003.

Big bowling

Chris Weerdenberg and husband, Tony, laugh at the thought of their bowling play with Big Brother and Big Sisters case workers Patti Lou Robinson and Karen Phipps when the Kinmount couple signed up to bowl in the 22nd annual Bowl for Kids Sake bowling fundraiser at the official launch of the Big Brothers and Big Sisters new satellite office expected to be in Haliburton. The bowlathon is at noon on March 3 at the County Bowling Centre in Minden and noon at Carnarvon Bowl. Bowlers and sponsors are needed. To get involved call 457-2105.

School board to spend \$187,000 on classroom supplies

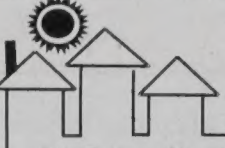
The Trillium Lakelands District School Board has agreed to spend \$186,704 on classroom materials.

The money is part of a \$228,418 surplus that was allocated to the Curriculum Department earlier in the school year.

At a board meeting last Tuesday in Bracebridge, trustees approved spending for more than 6,400 textbooks including anthologies, Math activity books, and teacher's

manuals for the Grade 7 and 8 curriculum. In addition, Grades 4, 5, and 6 math resource books will be available to schools and 1,500 Grade 3 writing workbooks will be purchased upon the recommendation of EQAO training staff.

The balance of the allocation - which totals almost \$42,000 - will be made available to secondary schools for the purchase of resources as well.



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Sixty parking spaces to be built at Big Hawk landing

by ALLISON TAYLOR
Times staff

The following are brief reports of items discussed at Thursday's Algonquin Highlands council meeting.

Algonquin Highlands is in the process of building a parking lot at Big Hawk landing.

Funding for the project became available from the Ministry of Natural Resources this year. The financial assistance is to be used for either an expansion or development of a parking lot, Bain said.

The only stipulation of the grant was the entire amount, \$9,000 had to be used on the parking lot project before a deadline this year.

The council also has an additional \$9,000 in reserves from a previous grant from the MNR. The money has been set aside for the parking lot project.

One of the major issues was that \$18,000 doesn't go very far.

While the endeavour will likely cost more than the \$18,000, council decided to go ahead and build as much of a parking lot as the money would permit. The plan was to add on to the area later as more funding became available.

"The funds are limited to what we can do right now," Bain said.

The major concern was to use the grant from the government before the deadline, but the project could not get under way in the winter months and council was not certain it could access the area before the deadline expired.

"The next step in the process is to fill out the work order," Public Works Superintendent Brian Whetstone said.

"I've left extra room for storage and a plough," he said, "There will likely be room for more than 60 cars."

Laying the groundwork has been a difficult task for the public works department.

"So much snow is on the ground, it's hard to tell how many dips and curves there are," he said.

The lot will be built at the dead end near the snowmobile trail, Whetstone said.

"A big issue is to avoid confusion between the snowmobile trail and the access road," he said. "I wouldn't want them to meet on the road."

Construction has yet to begin, but Whetstone is in the process of evaluating the land and determining what should be done with the trees after the trees are cut.

"There's a variety of trees there and probably some value for firewood," Whetstone said. "I don't know how much the trees are worth."

Whetstone also was trying to determine if the left over stumps could be used as fill for another project.

"This is pretty good," said Councillor Kerry Lock. "It's a lot better than what we had."

Stanhope Airport

After the Stanhope Airport committee found out it needed to upgrade its old weather station, not only did the members put their heads together, but they also opened their pocket books.

The weather station unit will cost an estimated \$1,000, but the committee donated \$400 toward the new piece of equipment. The township will foot the rest of the bill.

Local and foreign residents will benefit from the new purchase. The committee wants to ensure that everyone in the county and the world has the opportunity to take advantage of the new equipment. As a result, daily weather conditions will be posted on the airport website so anyone can find out what Mother Nature is doing in the Haliburton Highlands.

"We should be sure to send them a letter of thanks," said Harrison.

Dorset to get new fire truck

A total of eight tenders made their way to the council table last week to win the honour of building a new pumper tank and fire truck for the Dorset Fire Department.

Bain was literally buried under stacks of binders, papers and estimates before he opened the sealed tenders during the meeting.

Once the packages were open, Bain passed the stack to Clint MacKay, Dorset fire chief.

MacKay's next step is to form a fire truck committee to help him read through the tenders and decide which company will win the bid.

The prices quoted for the fire truck range from \$211,000 to \$270,000.

The lowest price won't necessarily win, MacKay said. "They have to meet the specs."

After the tenders are weeded through and those matching the exact specifications of the fire department are met, the committee will make recommendations to council.

Free advertising for township

An adventure touring group called Outward Bound has provided a little free endorsement for Algonquin Highlands.

It seems the group has confused the municipality with Algonquin Park.

In the Outward Bound tour brochure, advertising private adventure excursions beginning in the Burk's Falls area, the guide clearly states the majority of the

trips will end in Algonquin Highlands.

"The whole brochure refers to the commencement of trips in Burk's Falls to what they refer to as Algonquin Highlands," Bain said.

The trips include white water rafting, canoe routes, hiking and whatever other challenges might be met along the way.

"Maybe they meant Algonquin Park," Shortreed said.

The council had a good laugh after reading about one specific trip for people 50-plus.

"People over 50 aren't going down Burk's Falls to Algonquin Highlands on that route," Shortreed said with a laugh.

"They'll be 60 when they are finished," Bain said.

The council decided that any publicity for the municipality was great, especially when it's free.

Recycling

Council is going to examine the possibility of purchasing recycling bins for the local landfill sites.

Right now, the township rents its recycling bins from Muskoka Container Services. It also owns three of its own.

Council also learned that plastic bags might not be accepted in the recycling containers in the near future. If plastic bags don't go into the recycling bin, they'll have to go into the landfill.

"It kind of defeats the entire point," Shortreed said. "We've done all this to save the landfills and now they are telling us we can't recycle them any more. It's not right."

While a final decision has not yet been made, council wanted to get the word out that the possibility could be lurking in the distance.



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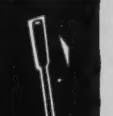
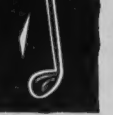
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Rain: 7.8 mm; .3 in.
Snow: 60.0 cm; 23.6 in.
Total precipitation: 67.8 mm; 2.6 in.
Total precip. for last January: 78.8 mm; 3.1 in.
Snow on ground Jan. 31: 22.0 cm; 9.0 in.
Snow on ground last Jan. 31: 62.0 cm; 24 in.
Total snowfall from Nov. 1 to Jan. 31: 126 cm; 49.0 in.
Days mostly sunny: 5
Days with snow or rain: 18
Days with thunderstorms: 0
Days with freezing rain: 0

January - a new month and a new year - started cold but was mostly mild during most of the month. In fact, much warmer than normal. The average temperature was -3.9 C (24.9 F). That was seven degrees warmer than last January and warmer than many years back. The snowfall was about half the normal amount. We had four moderate snowfalls on January 12, 17, 21 and 31. The rest came as flurries. There was not much rain in the month.

Trivia: Weather quiz - What is the origin of the expression "brass monkey weather?" The British nautical term, based on the brass frame that held cannon balls, for cold weather. Right. Not the trap-pers' expression for when their traps are frozen shut!



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Algonquin Highlands seeks help for septic tank inspections

by ALLISON TAYLOR
Times staff

Algonquin Highlands is spending some cash in order to save a few bucks down the road.

In an attempt to offset the cost of the septic reinspection program, the municipality is spending at least \$2,500 or as much as \$5,000 to apply for a grant from the Ministry of Agriculture, Food and Rural Affairs. The grant is part of the Healthy Futures for Ontario Program, a four-year initiative that among other things helps to improve rural water quality.

This is what captured the attention of the township.

"If grants are available and we are doing the inspections already, this would be a wonderful way to get money," said Deputy-Reeve Don Shortreed.

Not only is the application process complex, but the

deadline is only a few weeks away at March 1.

In order to find out more about the program, council invited Environmental Consultant Brian Howden to the meeting on February 7. Howden helped the Muskoka Heritage Association prepare a similar application and Clerk-Administrator Gerald Bain wanted him to share his expertise.

The process is complex.

While the septic tank reinspection program is a sideline for the program, Howden said the government funding is available at up to 50 per cent of the project's total costs.

"An individual municipality can apply as long as they have an agricultural component," Howden said.

While it was difficult to locate farmers in Haliburton County, Howden did manage to forge a relationship with the Haliburton County Farmers' Association. The two parties will be major partners in the program and in

the application process.

If accepted into the program the municipality would then invite individual property owners who have aged or troubled septic systems to apply for financial assistance.

That type of assistance could still be rather far away.

Howden has his work cut out for him.

In the span of 20 days, he has to put together a complete business plan, outlining partnerships, a marketing plan, a work plan, a human resources plan and a financial plan, as well as an evaluation plan.

As far as meeting the deadline, Howden said he has booked a trip to Cuba on February 24. "This will be out of here before I go."

A lump sum of \$2,500 was set aside for consultation fees for Howden and his team to prepare the detailed application process, while another \$2,500 could be spent if the application is accepted.

The second chunk of money can be paid either in cash or services-in-kind.

"If the grant is approved the next installment of \$2,500 would go towards the grant itself," said Clerk-Administrator Gerald Bain.

At the most the council is spending \$2,500 with no guarantee of a return.

"I'm not too sure it's too late," she said. "It would be nice to say to the people that we can help them and give back to the ratepayers."

As a member of the BOS Engineering team conducting the reinspection, Howden said the project will start visiting property owners on Maple Lake.

"My rationale is we like to spread these reinspections around," Howden said.

Right now they are looking at properties on Kawagama Lake.

"The big problem we are still having is the identification of property," he said. "I wish 911 was there."

Howden said the process was lengthened by the assessment map BOS Engineering creates after they deal with a specific area.

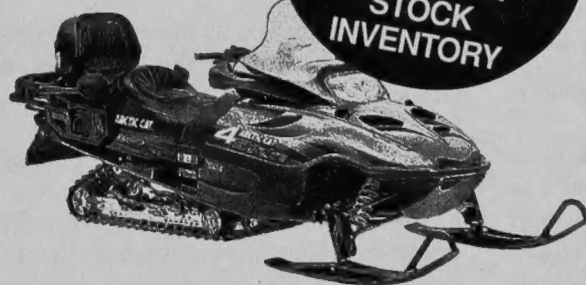


Day for dinner

Stockwell Day, who's hoping to resume his previous job as leader of the Canadian Alliance, enjoys a buffet dinner at Bark Lake on Friday night with his wife Val and event organizer Dennis Simmons. About 20 people were on hand for the dinner which concluded with Day's speech about his vision of the future, his dismissal of his dissenters and his attack on the ruling Liberals. Later that evening he was at another campaign stop in Lindsay. People have until the end of the month to get CA memberships in time for the mail-in ballot leadership vote.

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

Positive focus

The act of participating in a sport has more benefits than just providing exercise to tone muscles and improve respiration. The development of skills related to most sports will serve athletes in many other aspects of their lives. By learning to improve their performance on the ball field, curling/ hockey rink or basketball/tennis court, athletes develop their problem-solving skills.

Society usually reaps a direct benefit from athletes as well. And it's not just the entertainment value we receive from attending sporting events to cheer on our favourite team or individual athlete, although that, in itself, is good enough for most of us. Young people who focus their attention on becoming the best they can at their chosen sport or sports, are usually less likely to be involved in activities that are considered undesirable to the general public.

There are probably plenty of studies that show the correlation between participation in athletic activities and the likelihood of spending time explaining one's actions from a witness box while being referred to by legal counsel as "the defendant." But this is based strictly on personal observation.

There are exceptions, of course, but anyone who is focused on a goal-oriented activity that channels energy in a positive and constructive fashion is on the right track.

Keeping young athletes focused can be a challenge. That's where the coach who practises positive reinforcement as the main method of direction can be the difference between a young athlete enjoying his or her chosen sport or giving up in frustration.

A Minden family recently experienced a type of positive reinforcement from an exceptional individual. Four members of the Monk-Cray family attended a hockey tournament in the Cambridge area recently with one of the boys, Alex, playing for his Central Ontario Wolves Major Novice team. They had the opportunity to meet Walter Gretzky and see him demonstrate the effects of positive reinforcement. Anyone who is even a casual fan of NHL hockey knows that Walter Gretzky is the father of hockey legend Wayne Gretzky.

The Minden family, which included Alex's parents Kirsten and Barry, as well as younger brother Mac, came home from the tournament impressed and touched by the elder Gretzky's ability to inspire.

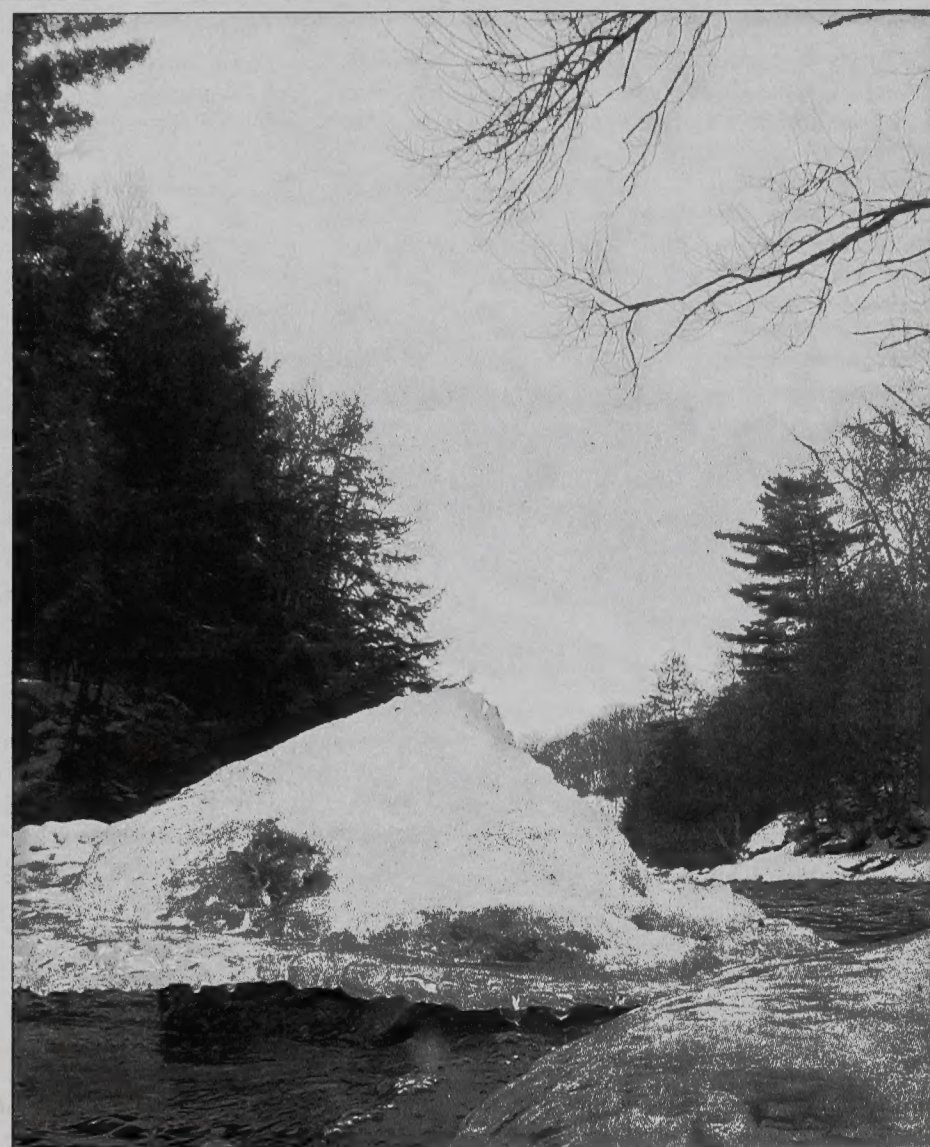
With Alex's team leading an all-star game by two goals, the local foursome watched as Walter Gretzky entered the players' bench of the opposing team and proceeded to inspire the players to overcome the deficit and eventually win the game. What impressed them most was his total commitment to emphasizing the positive by offering encouragement and support. There was never a condescending word.

Although Walter Gretzky's inspiration served to benefit the opposing team, Alex, his teammates and family gained some positive reinforcement from the experience. There were no losers in that all-star game.

After the game, the senior Mr. Gretzky suggested to all the players that they should be thankful to their parents for providing them with the opportunity to enjoy the game and to their coaches for helping them to improve their skills.

We could use a lot more Walter Gretzky types.

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IMAGES OF THE HIGHLANDS

Minden White Water Preserve

by DARREN LUM/TIMES

TO THE EDITOR

Times readers write

Haliburton County has tobacco use prevention programs for youth

To the Editor:

Re: Editorial Comment Smokers Dilemma on February 4.

In your editorial comment you mentioned that government money would be better spent if it was aimed at a younger audience, or spent advertising programs aimed at assisting people to quit smoking. I would like to assure you and your readers that Haliburton County has one of the finest community tobacco use prevention programs in the province.

For the past three years, Roy Hoare, a retired school teacher, has volunteered his time to visit every Grade 4 class in the county to teach the Lungs for Life program. Funded through our local heart health project, he has purchased teaching tools, such as pigs' lungs, and is currently doing a smoke-free poster contest.

In Grade 6, Constable Laura Ostler, with the OPP, teaches an 18-week DARE program which focuses on the gateway drugs of alcohol, tobacco and marijuana.

Last year a new peer mentor program was implemented. Senior secondary school students who attended a two-day training session, visited every grade eight

classroom in the county three times to discuss the pressures of the transition to Grade 9 and the use of gateway drugs, such as tobacco.

At Haliburton Highlands Secondary School, the Vice Principal, Irv Sternberg, has been working to make his school smoke-free. He empowers students to take control of the tobacco issue and come up with solutions. This has resulted in school-wide Quit and Win Contests, and funding students to attend provincial peer-led conferences on tobacco issues.

Last, but not least, Family Services, through Greg Shantz, has empowered youth to teach other youth how to play hackey sac. The idea is to encourage physical activity rather than smoking when you're hanging around with your friends.

The heart health project funded this initiative by purchasing hackey sacs with a smoke-free message for give-away.

All of these prevention initiatives were funded through local and provincial money.

Anne-Marie Cyr,
Minden

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Columnists and Letters to the Editor

The healing power of "Bachelor Cuisine"

Fifteen years and thirty-five pounds have joined me since I've had good old-fashioned bachelor food and, I'm happy to say, my taste buds have finally called off the wildcat strike.

I was reminded of this recently, when my wife was bed-ridden with the flu. In her delirium, she raised the lifetime cooking ban that she had placed on me shortly after we met.

"You mean it's okay for me to boil up some toast and ketchup for you and the kids?" I asked incredulously.

Her answer was hard to ascertain, what with the kids' wailing and retching in the background, but I was reasonably certain that it was yes, just by the way she nodded her head as she turned violently towards the bucket.

Unfortunately, in ensuing days, she could only drink fluids and the kids had gorged on leftovers from what they referred to as "happier times." Too bad, otherwise they might have had a taste of authentic bachelor cuisine and its healing qualities.

Bachelor fare isn't just sustenance; it is also a test of manhood, the modern equivalent of slaying a dragon and quite

possibly eating it whole, too. Cod liver oil has nothing on it. I credit this food for building up my immunities, so much so, that I have never been bothered by flu or any other ailment of consequence. Once you've braved "Bean Surprise", you're practically invincible. Surviving a meal like that reaffirms your will to live; it's health food pure and simple.

Women, with their strange desire to cook good, wholesome meals, don't understand that when a bachelor sits down to a self-prepared meal he is heading off into the great unknown, a place where no other had been before. If he returns he will be stronger for it. In fact, when I read about those Indian braves who trekked into the wilderness on a vision quest, I can't help but think that a major part of that ritual involved cooking for themselves. Even though the after-effect of such a meal

generally manifested itself in a baritone manner in which elk were often unwittingly bugled down from the hills, the holistic effects were unpredictable enough that I wouldn't rule out hallucinations either.

Before a meal can be labeled bachelor cuisine though, it has to prove blatant disregard for the Canadian Food Guide and very often the Geneva Convention too. If your dog avoids table scraps and raccoons and bears bring back your garbage you are well on your way to culinary greatness in bachelor-hood.

Not to brag, but when it came to stir-frying Rice Crispies, I was a master.

In my day, the whole point was to garner untold sympathy from those of the feminine persuasion. It was part of an elaborate mating ritual, sort of like a peacock fanning his tail, and believe me fan-

ning was often a critical component to the after-dinner soiree. One or two meals like this were all that was needed to add the term "poor dear" to the vocabulary of whatever woman had decided to save you from it all.

I remember one ill-fated date saying, "This is a meal fit for King..." Unfortunately, King wouldn't come when she called as he much preferred the rotten old sock he was chewing on with a vengeance. And, though embarrassing, it wouldn't have bothered me nearly so much if only my foot wasn't in it at the time.

Now, after two days of my reacquaintance with this wondrous cuisine, my wife finally rose from her sick bed, feverish, haggard, tired and unwell.

"Are you alright? You've suffered terribly."

"Yes, I have but I'll survive," said I, bravely.

"I'll fix you something nice. You poor dear..." Then she tried to pawn off my dinner plate to unwilling dogs.

Yes, the healing powers of bachelor food never cease to amaze me.



BEYOND35

Steve Galea

And now for the weather...

Tonight's forecast: Dark. Continued mostly dark with scattered light by mid-morning.

George Carlin

Have you noticed a difference in the weather forecasts this winter? They're warmer – and it's not because of global warming. This is a case of simple human tinkering. The meteorological mullahs at Environment Canada have decided to revise our wind-chill readings upward. They felt our old way of determining wind-chill – based measurements of heat flowing through a beaker of water ten metres above sea level – was largely meaningless for human beings, who, unlike beakers of water, usually have blood streams and relatively constant body temperatures. The experts revised the scale and made subsequent wind-chill readings that were much less harrowing.

So far so good. But in their clinical trials, the experts conducted tests on a mere dozen... Torontonians.

Torontonians???

Pardon me for asking, I realize it's the centre of the universe and everything – but since when did Torontonians know anything about extreme weather? I was in Thunder Bay when Toronto's slapstick

mayor, Mel Lastman, asked Ottawa to send in the army to deal with a snowfall that would have barely made the news in the rest of the country.

There were localized patches of ice fog in Thunder Bay the day that story made the news. Caused, I suspect by a spontaneous outbreak of widespread laughter.

You can't decide the Canadian wind-chill factor by holding up a thermometer at the corner of Bay and Bloor. This is a vast country – with icebergs off Newfoundland, palm trees in Victoria, and every conceivable variation in between.

Besides, each person is different when it comes to feeling wind-chill. Pierre Berton (born in the Yukon) has the pain threshold of a muskox. He once passed a kidney stone during a live radio broadcast and never batted an eye. He could probably sunbathe nude on the worst winter day Toronto has ever known.

I, on the other hand, have been known to whimper and bleat over a paper cut.

Despite many winters in northwestern Ontario, and several forays to places like Yellowknife and Whitehorse, I continue to exhibit the winter resistance of a Monarch butterfly. My wind-chill sensitivity does not belong on the same planet as Mister Berton's, let alone the same scale.

The other great truth is that weather forecasts, by whatever measure or formula arrived at, seldom have much to do with the microclimate actually swirling around your head at any given time. The weather forecast I listen to predicted rain for yesterday. It was dry as a bone. They called for sunshine today. I'm writing this by flashlight.

Reminds me of the story of the Indians on a remote reserve in Alberta who asked their new chief to foretell the coming winter – would it be long or short? Cold or warm? Now this Chief was a modern Indian. He had a university degree and spoke several languages. But over the years of getting his education, he had lost touch with the old ways and traditional secrets of his people. When he looked up at the sky he

couldn't tell any more about the coming weather than you or I.

Still, he was a new chief and he wanted to inspire confidence, so to be on the safe side he told the tribe that the coming winter would be a cold one and they should gather extra firewood to be prepared.

But he was also a practical man. A few weeks after his prediction, he called up Environment Canada. "Is this going to be a cold winter?" he asked. The meteorologist responded that it looked like it was going to be a cold one, indeed. The Chief went back to his people and told them to gather even more firewood.

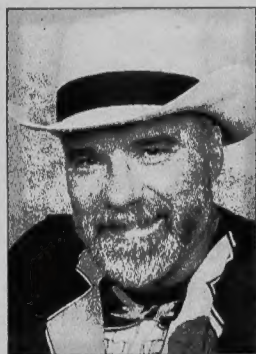
Several weeks later, the Chief called again. Again the weather office confirmed that they were in for a very cold winter. Back he went to the reserve and urged his people to stockpile even more wood.

Two weeks later he called the weatherman one more time. "Are you absolutely certain it's going to be an extremely cold winter?" he asked.

"No doubt about it" said the meteorologist. "It's shaping up to be one of the worst winters on record."

"How can you be so sure?" asked the Chief.

"Well, for one thing" said the meteorologist, "the Indians are collecting firewood like crazy."



ARTHUR BLACK

Columnist

No problems with water at Lutterworth Pines in 33 years

To the Editor,

I am writing this letter in regards to the letter you received last week stating "concern for our water." I would like to say that I am the secretary that Mrs. Crego was talking to, but I have never told her that my family refuses to drink the water in our park. We drink the water and have done so for the past 33 years. We have never had to boil or buy water before, except for the week during the boil water advisory.

Mrs. Crego had come to me and told me her concerns that the water was very hard and I told her that it had been like that since day one. I told her that she was welcome to come to our meeting and discuss this and see if anything could or should be done about it.

Also, in the 33 years we have been here, there has never been a problem with our water, except for two samples and they have both come

from the same house. One was from the week in which the sample was taken from bathroom taps [of the Crego house] that had just been installed. I received a phone call after the boil water advisory, telling me that the two samples came back 'zero-zero' which means satisfactory for drinking.

There have been samples taken in this park on a regular basis since the park opened. We have all of the results and the

dates for these past tests. She should also know that before you buy a house they always do a water test to make sure that the water is satisfactory, so there should have been no surprise to her.

I would like to report as a property owner in Lutterworth Pines, that the water here is plentiful and fine for drinking. I also offer a thank-you to Albert Foster for all the time that he does spend at the well, making it fit for our homes to function.

Jill Hamilton, Minden

TOTHEEDITOR

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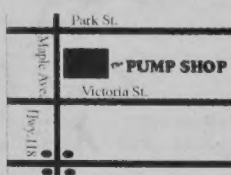


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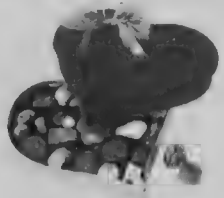
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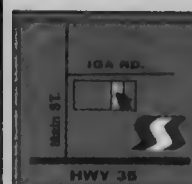
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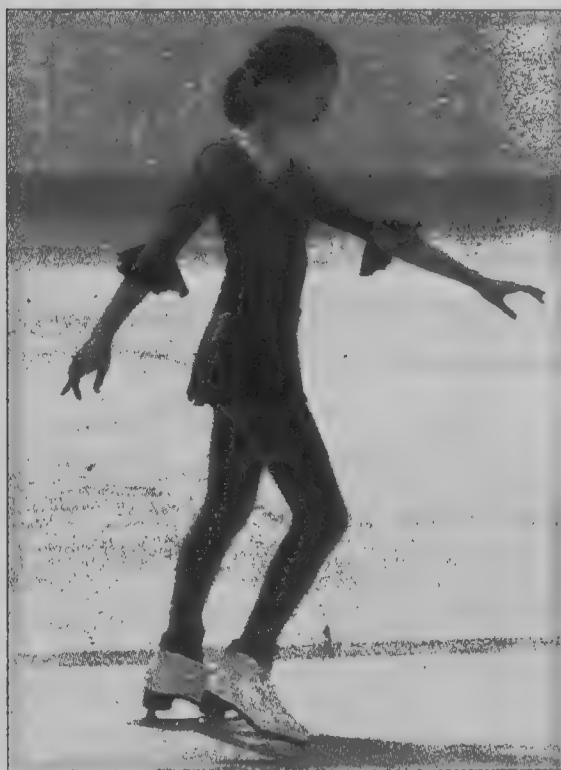
Local skaters test skills

Minden Meet To Skate draws 110 competitors

by ALLISON TAYLOR
Times staff

Look out Salt Lake City, members of the Minden Skating Club are strutting their stuff - or at least they were at a recent competition in Minden.

While it still might be a little early to have the Olympic rings in their sight, the spirit was running high at the 15th annual Minden "Meet to Skate" on February 2. Figure skaters were jumping, spinning and floating across the ice as the club raised funds to defray ice costs for local skaters.



"It was a financial success and a success overall," said Toni Carr, past chairperson for Skate Canada Eastern Ontario and a Skate Canada judge.

Competitors travelled from all over Ontario to the Minden arena, where 110 athletes laced up their skates in 31 events. Several of the skaters competed in more than one event, Carr said.

Reveling in stories of their success, celebrating personal best performances and lamenting the odd missed step, competitors lit up the ice with dedication and hard work. Overall the entire competition went off without any major gaffes.

Well, not at least for the ice skaters.

One judge from North Bay had a mishap on Highway 118, and ended up in the Minden hospital before the competition started. She was still able to take part in the event, but her car needed some attention. Another individual who drove to Minden from Toronto to help with kitchen duties also got into a car accident on the same highway.

"Fortunately, they were both unhurt," Carr said.

These are the results from the one-day event:

In the Preliminary "A" Elements, Kirsten Scholling placed 6th in Flight One. Madeleine Stewart of Minden skated into 5th place and Haliburton's Minna Schleifenbaum placed 7th in Flight 2. In the third flight, Minden's Natasha McGann jumped into 2nd place, while Anna Schleifenbaum from Haliburton finished in 5th.

Ashleigh Scholling of Minden twirled and twisted into 2nd place in both the Preliminary "B" Elements and the Junior Bronze "A" Elements.

In Junior Bronze "B" Elements, Julie Moore of Haliburton placed third and also took home third place honours in the Bronze artistic category. Moore also skated away with a first place prize in the Junior Bronze "A" Ladies event.

Bantam "A" Highland Storm

First round playoffs against Millbrook bring two bright nights of falling Stars

by Bill Hutson

The third game of this series on January 24 in Minden was do or die for the Ridgewood Ford Bantam "A" Highland Storm. In the first period it was mostly even play with perhaps a slight advantage to the Storm as the players worked hard to tally the first goal.

Strong play by goaltender Jeremy Moynes kept Millbrook of the board until a bad bounce off a stick directed the puck into the Storm net. Don Cherry has a message on this one "get your sticks out of the way."

It was 1-0 for the Stars and things kept going down as Millbrook scored the next goal in the second period to make it 2-0. A lackluster second period by the Storm ensued until the 8-second mark. Then it happened the TSN turning point. Mark Fisher, on a carry up the boards took a long shot that fooled the Millbrook tender, making the score 2-1 going to the second intermission.

The coaches went to work pumping up the team for the third and it showed as a new team skated onto the ice. Hard work and determination showed and at 9:37 Sean Keaney put the Storm on the game sheet again with a goal, making it a 2-2 game.

Millbrook bounced right back a minute



Darren Lum/TIMES

Storm Bantams press Millbrook's goalie on route to a win

later with another goal but this didn't discourage the Storm. The legs were starting to come back as getting to the puck first and strong defensive play was evident from Josh Fick, Justin Abbs, Mark Fisher and Brandon Bowman. "Axeman" Fisher's defensive, feed to Darrin Brown set up Adam Hutson in the corner to pick up and circle out front. A wrister through a crowd beat the Stars minder and tied the game with just a couple of

minutes to go.

Overtime. The crowd was on the edge of its collective seat and Millbrook fans were shocked. Millbrook played hard and slid a player into the net, knocking Moynes to the ice. It didn't count as a goal because the puck wasn't with him;

it was on the stick of Kolt Smith heading for the Millbrook end. Skating through the neutral zone, across the blue line deep into the Millbrook end, he cut across in front of

the net. The low shot along the ice makes Smith the hero of the night as the Storm wins 4-3.

Two nights later in Millbrook, the fourth game was set to go. The night was a rugged snowstorm, just right for The Ridgewood Ford Bantams to compete. It showed as soon as the team stepped on the ice.

Some positional changes sparked strong forechecking and aggressive play. Forwards Jonathan Sharpley, Kevin Bowman, Shawn Heming and Matt Roberts worked hard on aggressive forechecking and solid hits to create numerous turnovers in the Millbrook zone.

The defense of Abbs, Fick, Fisher and Brandon Bowman once again came into play, as did Jeremy Moynes who, time and again, shut down any offensive threat.

It took until 9:15 of the first to tally the opening goal but then they came in a bunch. The game sheet reads Kolt Smith with two goals and an assist and Mark Fisher with a goal. Matt Roberts, Justin Abbs, Brandon Bowman with goals and player of the game Kevin Bowman with a goal. Assists went to Darrin Brown, Adam Hutson, Justin Abbs, Jonathan Sharpley, B Bowman, Jesse Johnson and Kolt Smith.

With that win, it sent the series to a one game, winner-take-all showdown.

MINOR HOCKEY
Highlands Storm News

Three HHSS skiers qualify for COSSA

Kawartha Nordic Ski Championships were held on Wednesday, February 6 at Haliburton's Glebe Park. Approximately 80 skiers from six schools competed.

Haliburton Highlands Secondary School team results were:
Midget Boys first place team overall: Ryan Bottum first, Sean Keaney second, Myles Nicholson third, Max Creelman fourth, Michael Flowers fifth.
Novice Girls: Emily Turner third, Erin Nicholson fifth.
Junior Girls: Andrea Lindenberg third
Junior Boys: Kyle Thompson third
Senior Girls: Liz Brown sixth
Andrea Lindenberg, Kyle Thompson and Liz Brown qualified for the COSSA championships, which will be held at Glebe Park this Wednesday, February 13.

Griffins shred hockey Red Hawks

by **DARREN LUM**
Times staff

In the last game of the season, with only pride on the line, the Red Hawks lost on home ice to the fast skating Thomas Aquinas Secondary School Griffins. The visitors pounced on the HHSS hockey squad from the drop of the puck and took advantage of numerous power play opportunities scoring on 50% of their chances. The Red Hawks were able to kill off their first penalty of the game, but couldn't keep the Griffins' PP unit off the board. It would prove to be a long night for both the Red Hawks and the home town faithful as the Red Hawks lost, 1-8.

Late in the third period with the game well out of reach, while the clock ran continuously from the start of the third period, Jeff Wilson and Jordan Campbell lost their composure and near the three minute mark looked for TASS players to fight on the ice and on the bench. Campbell was quickly restrained by the referee along the boards while Wilson evaded the linesman and went to antagonize Griffin players for a fight, pulling helmets off and trash talking. A short squirmish eventually broke out between Wilson and a Griffin player, but it was short lived. Both Red Hawk players were ejected from the game with three minutes left on the game clock.

The game started poorly for the Red Hawks. With just minutes in the first period, a Griffin player eluded his check to collect the loose puck rebound and scored from in close against Red Hawk goalie

Mark Snell, 0-1.

Despite having a few early chances in the first period the Red Hawks were clearly unable to keep pace and match the fire power brought by the Griffins who tallied 41 shots while the boys in red and white could only muster 15.

Snell kept the Red Hawks in the game during the first period with solid work between the pipes allowing two goals, both on rebounds, on 18 shots in the first period.

His stellar play continued, but he wasn't able to stop everything as the shot totals mounted to 41 by games end. The shot total could have been higher, but the time keeper allowed the clock to run in the third period.

By the second period it was a similar story where the Griffins scored their third goal on the third shot of the period where Snell was left alone with a Griffin forward alone in the slot to shoot it over Snell's glove.

A spark of life came to the home town fans when defencemen Jeremy Miscio took a slap shot that wasn't handled well by the Griffin goalie who gave Joel Cooper a fat rebound. He came off the blue line and got away a wrist-shot to the top right shelf, 1-4. The temporary boost to the team didn't last as the Griffins staved off the offensive pressure and resumed their attack. The lone goal would be as close as they would get.

The Red Hawks continued to play physical throughout the game, but couldn't match their physical efforts with the Griffin puck possession. The final week of the Red Hawk season ended on a sour note with a loss earlier in the week to Holy Cross 1-7.



Darren Lum/TIMES

Looking to finish

Trail conditions and temperatures were ideal for the close to 80 high school Nordic skiers who competed in the Kawartha championship at Glebe Park in Haliburton last week. This week the site will host the Central Ontario final.

Novice A team proves too hot for Stars to handle

The Pepper Mill Restaurant Novice A hockey team was too hot to handle for the Millbrook Stars, as the Storm blew out the Stars three games straight, outscoring them 20 to 0 in the process. The third and final game was 10-0 romp.

Keaton Gadway had a hot stick in his hands, as he scored the first three goals of the game in the first period, and then added one more in the third, as he and his linemates clicked despite losing regular linemate Ashton Haley. Haley will be missed, due to an unfortunate broken leg while skiing. Ian Bottum was called up from the Novice Bs, and did a great job filling in with his strong play. He cashed in with one goal and two assists. Center Scott Griffith quarterbacked the plays, earning three assists, and scored an unassisted goal straight from a faceoff.

Demonstrating the depth of this team,

the Storm's other line of Chris Judge, Brandon Yake and Brett Hicks were also a force to be reckoned with. Judge had two goals three assists, Yake three assists, Hicks two goals three assists. Garnishing an assist apiece, the defensive units of Mark Vasey, Michael Callaghan, Drew Paul and Matthew Gallagher made tremendous unmeasurable contributions with their strong play. The team commitment to defense and strong two-way play has been instrumental to their successful season. Zack Harrison was rock solid and turned aside all challenges en route to another shutout.

The team continues to stay active with scheduled exhibition games versus Gravenhurst and Bancroft, while awaiting a winner from the Trent Valley League. We will try to keep you posted. Look for updates for the start of the next round.

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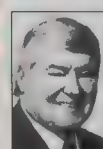
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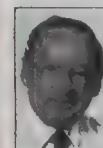
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The rink of skip Don Pflug, vice Doreen Spencley, second Walter Braker and lead Barbara Breaker (right to left) took top honours in the Business Persons' Curling Bonspiel at the Minden Curling Club on Saturday, February 2, earning The Times Trophy. The second place team included skip Linda Schell, vice Jamie Nicholson, second Linda McGillivray and lead Dave Lougheed.

Haliburton County teams sweep final Senior Men's bonspiel

The North Kawartha Senior Men's Curling League wrapped up its rotating bonspiel season with the final event in Minden on February 5. Two rinks each from Minden, Haliburton, Fenelon Falls and Bobcaygeon.

The Haliburton team of skip Don Cameron, vice Bill Watson, second Brian Murison and lead Stu Bottomley emerged victorious with a score of 35.75 points. The Minden rink of skip Don Ballantyne, vice Tom McCartney, second Leo Sepa and lead Andy Boivin placed second with 33.5 points. Rounding out the top three, with a sweep for Haliburton County, was the Minden team of skip Stan Hill, vice Don Pflug, second Ralph Newton and lead Dave Heaven, with 24.75 points.

The Fenelon Falls rink skipped by Derek Warren was a close fourth, with 23.5 points.

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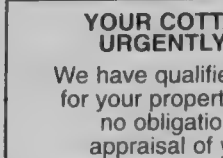


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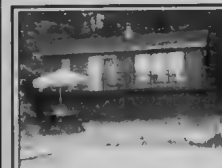
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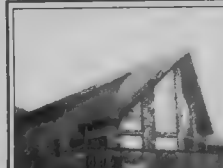
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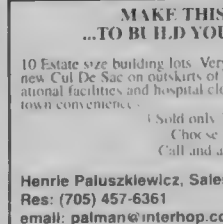
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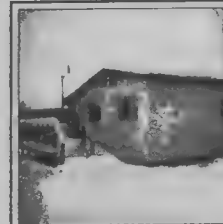
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To the Editor:

Some thoughts about "A Box of Good Food" in the Minden Times.

As the organizers of the Good Food Box, we appreciate the opportunity our local papers have given us to share and celebrate the success of our program and acknowledge the volunteer help we receive.

Many of us find stretching our food dollars to be a challenging task. We would like to clarify that the Good Food Box program is available to everyone in

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For more information contact:
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The Good Food Box Committee

Minden Legion should be smoke free

To the Editor:

My husband smokes still (in basement). His lungs are bad and he is on oxygen at night. His feet are swelled and he has ulcers running on both legs.

I still have cancer - 1990 surgery, mastectomy, had six weeks radiation in Kingston. More surgery in 1998; lung collapse, and still have cancer. I'm on chemo pills, arimidex. The doctors all told me it was from second-hand smoke.

My son died three years ago, at age 44,

from second-hand smoke. He suffered so much.

Haliburton Legion is smoke-free. Why can't Minden Legion be smoke-free.

I go to Minden Legion Big Buck Euchre. There is no smoking while playing cards. They go in the other room. I would go to the Legion more if it was smoke-free.

Helen Cox,
R.R. 1, Minden

Gzowski remembered in the Highlands

To the Editor:

There is not much we can add to the outpouring of respect and recognition for Peter Gzowski which followed his recent death. He was a truly remarkable Canadian with a range of knowledge and depth of understanding which were nothing short of awe-inspiring. He has a connection to every community in Canada through his recognition of literacy as a serious issue and financial support for it through things like his invitational golf tournaments.

In Haliburton, Literacy and Basic Education issues are addressed with great success through two programs at the Haliburton Community Learning Centre, The Haliburton Highlands Learning Program and Fleming's Academic Upgrading Program. Gzowski's understanding and efforts have done much to promote awareness of how common it is for people to lack the reading, writing and math skills expected in our society.

This issue is just one of the many he drew attention to and supported.

His passing is a loss to us all.

Jane Selbie,
Haliburton Highlands Learning
Program
and Bob Smith,
Sir Sanford Fleming

I nominate...

To the Editor:

I wish to nominate Anne Campbell for the award for Citizen of the Year. She did so much decorating on the main street of Minden for Christmas, with lights, etc., and got people to help her do it.

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I couldn't find the clipping in the paper to fill it in.

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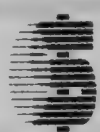
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# Memories of a special lady when dahlias bloom

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**Thursday, January 31 euchre at the Minden Legion**

## Branch 636:

Margaret Fletcher took most lone hands for the ladies and John Mallon for the gents. Ladies high score went to Joyce Broersma with Georgina Deeks high "man." Esther Lee and Ed Hisson were low lady/man and "other prize" winners were John Mallon, Jim and May Bradbury and Margaret Fletcher.

**Saturday, February 2 bid euchre at Staanworth Terrace, Minden:** In first was Bill Van Dyke with 314, followed by Jean Scadden at 308. Hidden score winners were Gala Stamp, Iris Taylor and Pat Bailey. The five "moonshots" went to Bill Van Dyke, Shirley Elcome, Pat Scadden, Verna McDonald and our reporter Ruth Kellett.

**Monday, February 4 bid euchre at the Kinmount Legion Branch 441:** Mildred St. Thomas reports that Jean Scadden had the high score, followed by Ruth Kellett, while Bill St. Thomas shared the wealth with Kit Schroter.

**Monday, February 4 cribbage at the Minden Legion Branch 636:** It was Verna McDonald in first place, with Lois Adamson second. Draws



## AROUND THE TOWN

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went to Esther Lee, Maxine Cross, Kim McCabe, Brenda DeGuire and Gwen Cox. Thanks to Elva Paisley for the update.

**Monday, February 4 euchre at Club 35, Halls Lake:** Marion Farr and Garth Windsor had the ladies and men's high scores, while Olive Daniels and Bob McConnell took the low. Ken Wallace reports that Cliff Woolner was a double winner, not only holding most lone hands but also taking home the prized "baloney."

**Monday, February 4 euchre at the Friendship Club, St. Paul's Anglican Church, Minden:** In the lone hands department, it was Bill Mosley for the gents and Verna McDonald for the ladies. High scores proved to be a family affair, with Lynn White winning for the ladies and her dad, Don Hicks, for the men. Gala Stamp took the hidden score. Ed Hisson and Fern Donnelly were low man/lady and the draw winners were Don Hicks and Bill Mosley. Katie Parker reminds everyone that February birthdays

will be celebrated on February 18.

**Tuesday, February 5 Stanhope Fire Hall Seniors Social Club Mixed Shuffleboard:** Sid Lockhart reports the three high scoring duos were Ellen Holden and Laura Carnegie with 385, Betty Lockhart and Nick Nimagon with 330 and Moe Briscoe and Marj Hamilton with 324. Hazel Doorman and Shirley Alderton took the low score with 144 points.

**Tuesday, February 5 euchre at Gelert:** Ladies high score winner was Mary Wilkins, with Hazel Benetin taking the honours for the "men." Bob Vick won in the lone hand department. Gala Newell was low lady and Don Hicks was not only low man but 50/50 winner. Thanks Audrey.

**Tuesday, February 5 bid euchre at the Minden Legion Branch 636:** Marie Dennie reports it was Anne Baker in first followed by Len Kroes, Don Burch and Milton Fletcher. The only "moonshot" went to Anne Baker, while Jean Scadden, Pat Roussel and Elli Langpohl had the hidden scores.

**Tuesday, February 5 contract bridge at Stanhope:** Betty Schlotter was first with 6280, Ray Moore second with 5650.

Pat Hannah third at 4770 and Ev Morgan fourth with 4630. Morris Hansen not only won the lucky draw but was the fortunate recipient of the "HATT" Special Award. There are two possible translations of "HATT." While officially it stands for "Hands Across The Table" whispers of "Had A Terrible Time" were overheard in the Stanhope Library.

**Wednesday, February 6 duplicate bridge at Park Lane, Haliburton:** North/South - In first were Muriel McIntosh and Ross Fletcher with 58%, with Mayme Douglas and Ev Morgan second at 57%. For East/West it was Betty Dicker and Harold Cox with 54% and Ev and Fred Vanderland next with 53%. Ross Fletcher tells me that the closeness of these percentages is a sign of very well-matched competitive play.

**Wednesday, February 6 euchre at Stanhope:** There were seven moonshots, with singles for Esther Lee, Bill Milford and Pat Scadden. Peter Farr and Bob McConnell each had two. For the "pinks", Willie Cox was high scorer with 335, followed by Margaret Fletcher with 311 and Pat Roussel with 301. Peter Farr with 314, Norm Lee 275 and Len Kroes 270 took the honours for the "whites."

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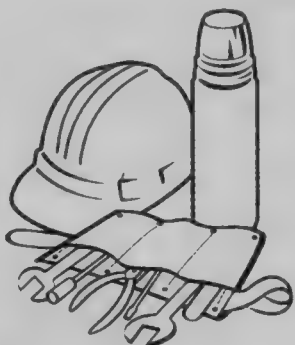
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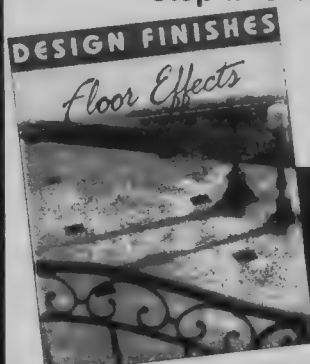
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# Kiss and tell in Hyland Crest

Thursday already, how fast this week has gone by. It seems like only yesterday that we gathered to bring you last weeks news. We wish winter would be like that, although we certainly have nothing to complain about all comfy and warm here at Hyland Crest.

We'll begin where we left off, at last Thursday morning. That afternoon was our Birthday Tea where we gathered at one big party to celebrate all birthdays in January. Happy Birthday to Iris Adamson, Loretta Nesbitt, Rene McGoldrick, Lilian Harrison and Ruth Fiddler. The Lochlin Outreach was our host, even supplying a birthday cake in the shape of a book. Thank you for your special touch.

On Friday, Earl Cooper graced us with his talent on the bagpipes and Kathleen Owens, as usual, was excellent at the piano. They played several tunes to our delight as Margaret Foote and Loretta Nesbitt danced and it was nice to see Ruth Fiddler tapping her foot and clapping along to the music. Circle of Friends with Mildred Gartshore, Hazel Gregory, Ruth Nesbitt, Bea Britain and Hilda Gillespie led to a talk about life on the farm. Reminiscing of rising up early in the morning to tend to the chores, the animals they cared for and the general life of girls on the farm.

Saturday brought a new program with Doris Robertson. She is an avid quilter and is sharing her time and abilities with the ladies. Many of them have made quilts before, in fact for some it was a way of life, we're sure many will enjoy this program. Members of the Ladies' Auxiliary had their first day of manning the Treat Wagon. They caught on right away and will be performing this duty between 12:30 and 1:00 on Saturdays.

Monday we had a workout at Keep Fit with walkabout afterwards. Later that day we had a discussion about Valentines Day and all it revolves around such as love, that first kiss, marriage, kids, did all kiss and tell - we'll not say.

## SENIOR LEAGUE

News from Hyland Crest

Another discussion took place that evening when Nancy did "News and Views" the topic was on the proposed smoking ban for Haliburton County. Many were former or non smokers who gave favourable opinions on the subject.

Tuesday brought Pastor Ashley Taylor for Chapel Service from the Minden Bible Church. He has quickly found his niche here at Hyland Crest. At the same time, we had two smaller groups of "Prayer Friends" - one on each floor. Tuesdays are also craft days with Dottie and Brenda leading the group, which is busily making Valentine decorations and St. Patrick's Day shamrocks. "Chat with Jean" was held that evening and so it seems on Tuesday there is something for everyone.

Wednesday, Mary Goldsmith and Roy Nicholls defeated Margaret Besse partnered with Edna Trumbull three games to one. Norland Hillbillies brought their music to us, with Ken Diebel, Bob Robertson, Jean Boyce, Budgie Law and Dan Diebel livening us up at Pub Night. They bring some jokes to make it an all round good time. Darrin Brown our student volunteer, Joan and Jim Meadows and our faithful Pearl, who is our acting bartender, all helped to make it a wonderful evening, thank you to everyone.

Sadie Kitcheman was the lucky one this week. Lucky, why you ask, she was the recipient of the Leisure Bath this week. She thoroughly enjoyed the relaxation and extra pampering that goes with it.

We hope Bruce Bissell enjoyed his short stay with us, we enjoyed him and especially his talent at the piano.

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- **Feb. 12:** Community Policing Meeting, 7:30 p.m., at the Dorset Recreation Centre. Call (705) 766-9968 for info.
- **Feb. 13:** Genealogy Researcher Ruth Burkholder will speak to the Haliburton Highlands Genealogy Group at 7 p.m. in the Minden Library. Her subject for this interesting evening will be "My Most Coveted Possession: A Patent for my Land". She will talk about the ways and means (and the records created) in acquiring a land patent.
- **Feb. 13:** Valentine's Party and Pot Luck Lunch at C.H.A.C.E. Resource Centre Minden. Join us for circle time, crafts and a barbeque. Call 286-1770 to sign-up. 10 a.m. - 1 p.m.
- **Feb. 14:** Jr. Volleyball (for children 8 yrs. & under) - 5:30 p.m., Adult Volleyball - 6:30 p.m., at the Dorset Recreation Centre. For info. call (705) 766-9968. Cost is a loonie or free to members. Those under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.
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- **Feb. 17:** Razzamataz Kid's Shows! proudly presents the third show of the 2001/2002 concert series, "Tap Dancing Sam", on Sunday, February 17 at 2 p.m. at The Northern Lights Performing Arts Pavilion. Single admission, \$8 per adult, \$5 per child. Children under 2 are free. Tickets can be purchased at the door. Seating is limited, don't be disappointed! Call Julie at 457-3414 for more info. This show is made possible by The Ontario Arts Council, the Delta Pinestone Resort and CIBC Haliburton.
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- **Feb. 20:** Join us at C.H.A.C.E. Resource Centre Minden for activity morning at 11 a.m. This week we will be learning all about dinosaurs.

Events listings are provided **FREE** for non-profit groups on a space-available basis. While we endeavor to accommodate requests for publication, we cannot guarantee that all requests for listings will appear. Requests should be faxed to The Echo Times at 286-4768, emailed to editor@mindentimes.on.ca., or brought in to the office. **NOTE:** This calendar is **NOT A COMPREHENSIVE LISTING OF ALL EVENTS** taking place in the area. Please check the classified pages, display advertising and articles appearing elsewhere in The Echo for more information on events and in the Highlands.



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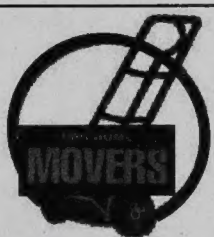
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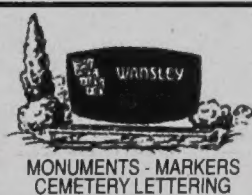
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## 450 IN MEMORIAM

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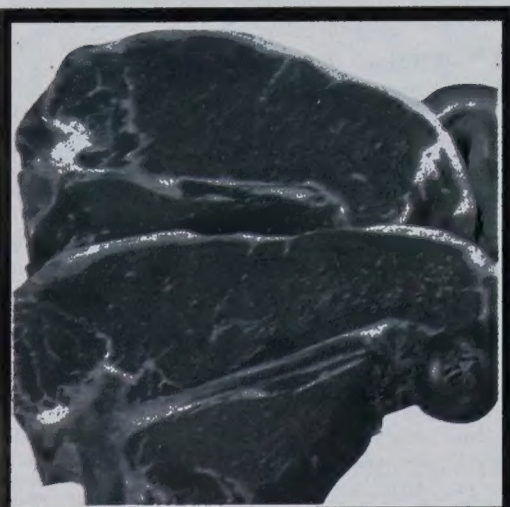
**PATRICIA "PAT" FERREN**  
Passed away peacefully at home in Kinmount, on Tuesday, February 5, 2002, in her 72nd year.

Beloved wife of Ambrose. Dear mother of Allan and Donna Ferren, Debbie Barkwell and Floyd Wilson, David and Teresa Ferren, Stephen and Mara Ferren, and predeceased by Rosanne. Loving grandmother of Christopher and Jennifer Barkwell, Wayne and Julie Ferren, Kyle Kody, Wyatt Ferren, Maria Ferren and predeceased by Michael Barkwell and Teri Lynn Ferren and great grandmother Tristram and Bryson. Dear sister of Charles Arkwright, Jean Eberts, Thelma Armstrong, Joan Miner, Allan Arkwright, Paul Arkwright. Fondly remembered by many nieces and nephews. Friends were invited to visit the family at the Gordon A. Monk Funeral Home Ltd., 127 Main St., Minden (1-888-588-5777) from 2-4 and 7-9 p.m. Thursday. Then to St. Patrick's Church, Kinmount for Mass of Christian Burial on Friday, February 8, 2002, at 11 a.m. Spring interment at St. Patrick's Cemetery, Kinmount. Reception followed at the Royal Canadian Legion, Br. 441, Kinmount. Legion Service held on Thursday at 6:30 p.m. at the Funeral Home. Memorial donations to The Terry Fox Foundation would be appreciated by the family. CA

**O'NEILL, PATRICIA VIOLET (PAT)** (Retired from Continental Can): Passed away at York Central Hospital on February 4, 2002, in her 83rd year. Pat led a full and active life, both in Toronto and at Horseshoe Lake in Minden. Survived by her sister-in-law Alice O'Neill. Dear aunt of Patricia (Bob) Swanton, Peggy (Don) Bower, Thomas (Janis) O'Neill, and their families. Predeceased by her brother William Alexander O'Neill and long-time companion Gregory Shanahan. Family and friends called at the Marshall Funeral Home, Richmond Hill, on Wednesday, and a funeral service was held on Thursday, February 7, 2002. A private interment followed. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the York Central Hospital Foundation. CA

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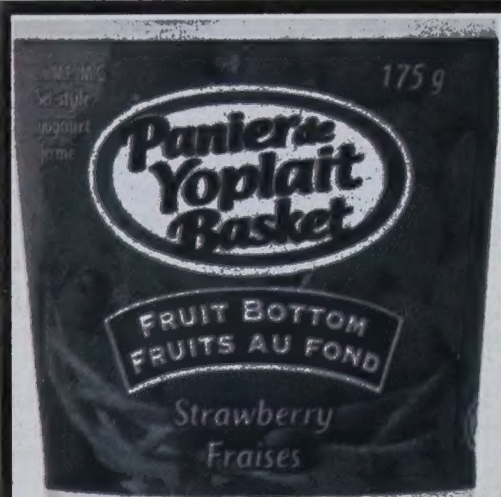
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